IN THE CLAIMS

Please cancel claim 10 without prejudice.

Please amend the following of the claims which are pending in the present

application:

1. (Original) A controller for a motor vehicle drive train comprising an engine

and a continuously variable ratio transmission providing geared neutral, the

controller serving to set demands for wheel torque and engine speed in

dependence upon a driver input, characterised in that the controller is adapted to

respond to input from the driver indicative of a requirement for an enhanced

launch by raising engine speed while implementing a reduced wheel torque

strategy, and to subsequently raise wheel torque following input from the vehicle

driver by which launch is initiated.

2. (Original) A controller as claimed in claim 1 wherein the driver input

indicative of a requirement for engine speed increase prior to vehicle launch

comprises concurrent application of the driver's brake and accelerator controls.

3. (Original) A controller as claimed in claim 2, wherein the driver input by

which launch is initiated comprises release of the brake control.

4. (Currently amended) A controller as claimed in any preceding claim 1,

which is adapted to limit power input to the transmission prior to vehicle launch.

5. (Currently amended) A controller as claimed in any preceding claim $\underline{1}$

which is for use with a transmission of torque controlled type, the controller being

such as to provide a signal to the transmission proportional to the wheel torque to

be provided.

6. (Currently amended) A motor vehicle drive train comprising a controller as

claimed in any preceding claim $\underline{1}$.

7. (Original) A method of controlling a motor vehicle drive train comprising

an engine and a continuously variable transmission providing geared neutral, the

method comprising setting demands for engine speed and wheel torque in

dependence upon a driver input and being characterised in that, in response to a

driver input indicative of a requirement for an engine speed increase prior to

vehicle launch engine speed is raised while a reduced wheel torque strategy is

implemented, wheel torque being subsequently raised following initiation of

vehicle launch.

8. (Original) A method as claimed in claim 7 wherein the driver input

indicative of a requirement for engine speed increase prior to vehicle launch

comprises concurrent application of brake and accelerator controls.

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9. (Currently amended) A method as claimed in claim 7 or claim 8 wherein the transmission is of torque controlled type, comprising providing the transmission with a control input proportional to wheel torque.

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10-11. (Cancelled)

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